

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

T.S. Forest Conservation Act – Diversion of **0.3198 ha** forest land in Nagarjuna Sagar Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable for a length of 7106.44 mts along RF at Puttichelama to Vijaypuri Road (134/200 to 136/200 kms and 73/395 to 78/395 Kms) along the road and within existing Right of Way in favour of Officer - In-Charge, AFNET, Air Force Station, Suryalanka – **Final (stage-II)** approval accorded – Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.16

Dated:30.05.2018.

Read the following:

1. From the PCCF (HoFF), TS, Hyd., Lr.No.2920/2016/FCA-1/TS, Dt.29.06.2016.
2. Govt. Letter No.2998/For.I (1)/2016, EFS&T (For.I) Dept. Dated:08-09-2016.
3. From GoI, MoEF&CC, Chennai, F.No.4-TSB024/2016-CHN/2043, Dt.21.12.2017.
4. From PCCF (HoFF), TS, Hyd., Lr.Rc.No.2920/2016/FCA-1(i)/TS, Dated:07.04.2018.
5. Govt. Letter No.2998/For.I (1)/2016, EFS&T (For.I) Dept., Dated:12-04-2018.
6. From GoI, MoEF&CC, Chennai, F.No.4-TSB024/2016-CHN/0574, dt.20.04.2018.

ORDER

In the letter 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad has submitted a proposal for diversion of **0.3198 ha** forest land in Nagarjuna Sagar Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable for a length of 7106.44 mts along RF at Puttichelama to Vijaypuri Road (134/200 to 136/200 kms and 73/395 to 78/395 Kms) along the road and within existing Right of Way in favour of Officer - In-Charge, AFNET, Air Force Station, Suryalanka.

2. In the letter 2nd read above, the proposal in para-1 above was forwarded to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Chennai for granting approval under section -2 of the Forest (C) Act, 1980.

3. In their letter 3rd read above, the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, GoI, Chennai have granted in-principle (Stage-I) approval for the above proposal, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated thereof.

4. In the letter 5th read above, the Government of Telangana have sent the report of compliance on the conditions stipulated by GoI, as submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad in his letter 4th read above, to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Chennai for according necessary approval.

5. In the letter 6th read above, Central Government have granted final approval for the proposal in para 1 above, under Section- 2 of the Forest (C) Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated therein.

6. Accordingly, Government hereby accord **final (Stage-II)** approval for diversion of **0.3198 ha** forest land in Nagarjuna Sagar Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable for a length of 7106.44 mts along RF at

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Puttichelama to Vijaypuri Road (134/200 to 136/200 kms and 73/395 to 78/395 Kms) along the road and within existing Right of Way in favour of Officer - In-Charge, AFNET, Air Force Station, Suryalanka under section-2 of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) The State Forest Department shall carry out demarcation of the proposed forest area by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at suitable intervals from the amount which has already been realized from the user agency;
- (iii) Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be changed by the State Government from User Agency;
- (iv) The amount of Rs.10,00,000/- deposited by the user agency into the Chief Wildlife Warden account towards mitigation measures for Wildlife conservation etc as suggested by the SC-NBWL shall be transferred to the State CAF account maintained with Corporation Bank, Lodhi Complex Branch, New Delhi-110003, before issue of final order by the State Government and the State Government shall intimate this office about the transfer;
- (v) State Forest Department / user agency shall comply with all conditions as prescribed by the NTCA and as approved by the NBWL at the cost of user agency;
- (vi) Project work shall be executed without making damages in any manner to the adjacent road portion;
- (vii) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
- (viii) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (ix) Felling of trees shall not be carried out by the User Agency;
- (x) Work shall be taken up during day time only. No work shall be carried out during night time;
- (xi) The maximum size of the trench for laying of the cable shall not exceed 2.00 mt depth and 0.45 mt width;
- (xii) Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- (xiii) The Progress of the Compensatory Afforestation as mentioned by the DFO, Wildlife Management, Nagarjunasagar in SI No 12 (v) (a) & (b) of part II i.e., forest land of 0.76 ha and non forest
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land of 82.109 ha shall be monitored by the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring report shall be forwarded to the Regional Office to upload the same in the web portal;

- (xiv) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.3198 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
 - (xv) User agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;
 - (xvi) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Addl. PCCF(Central) of Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied with by the user agency;
 - (xvii) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF(Central), Regional Office, Chennai.
7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
Telangana State, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

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The Addl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (C),
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
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1st & 2nd floor, HEPC Building, No.34, Cathedral Garden Road,
Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600034.

The Officer-In-Charge,
AFNET, Air Force Station, Suryalanka,
Nalgonda District (User Agency).
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SECTION OFFICER